

PREJUDICE AFFIDAVIT

Is Filed Against Judge Wilkins
By Wm. M. Koons

In Which He Says Court Used
Angry Words

Judge Wilkins Dismissed The
Affidavit Thursday

And Removed Koons As Guar-
dian Of Henry Eggleston

Answer And Cross Petition In
A Case Is Filed

A few days ago an application was made in probate court to remove William M. Koons as guardian of Henry Eggleston, an insane person. On Thursday afternoon an affidavit in prejudice was filed by William M. Koons in probate against Judge Wilkins. In his petition Mr. Koons charged that Judge Wilkins has a bias and prejudice against the said William M. Koons during the past few months. He further alleged that the court engaged in heated and angry words towards the affiant and expressed an opinion as to the merits of the matter without knowing the facts, and without knowing the testimony in the case. He further alleges that the said Judge Wilkins has maintained a revengeful disposition towards the affiant.

Along with the affidavit in prejudice, Mr. Koons filed an application asking for a continuance of the matter relative to the removal of the guardian.

Judge Wilkins late Thursday afternoon overruled the application for a continuance of the case and dismissed the affidavit in prejudice. In passing on the matter, Judge Wilkins held that Mr. Koons was guilty of neglect in attempting to carry out the duties as the guardian. The court held that the guardian has neglected, as provided by law, to pay the board of charities of Ohio a certain sum of money to be applied towards the support of his ward, now in the state hospital, Columbus. The court further held that the guardian has failed and neglected to invest the funds of ward that came into his hands. The court therefore removed Mr. Koons as the guardian of Henry Eggleston, and Paul M. Ashbaugh was appointed, giving bond in the sum of \$500 in a surety company.

Answer and Cross-Petition—

In the case of B. M. Critchfield, admr., vs. Frank McGugin, exr., an answer and cross petition has been filed in the court of common pleas of Knox county by L. Tate Cromley as trustee, in which he asks for an order from the court directing the clerk of court to pay to him as trustee of the fund bequeathed for the benefit of the Jellaway church, under the will of E. A. McElroy, the sum of \$482.91. The attorneys for the trustees are J. B. Graham, and Greer, Greer & Cromley.

To Recover Money—

Frances M. Bailey has commenced an action in common pleas against William H. Bailey, in which she seeks to recover the sum of \$524. The plaintiff claims there is due her the sum of \$200 based on a promissory note and that the defendant is indebted to her in the sum of \$324 as rental for occupying the farm of the plaintiff for two years. Robert L. Carr is the attorney for the plaintiff.

Case Heard in Mansfield—

Judge Mansfield and a jury in common pleas court today were hearing the action of Levering Bros. vs. The Mansfield Milling Company, while at the same time Judge Wood was hearing another case, that of Charles P. Ensign vs. J. E. Keener, et al. The latter was being heard in the room of the court of appeals.

Levering Brothers are suing The Mansfield Milling Company, claiming that they were damaged in the sum of \$1,510 by the failure of the local concern to furnish ten carloads of

middlings and one carload of bran and middlings split at \$24 f. o. b. Fredericktown. The place of business of the plaintiff is located at Fredericktown. Representing them are Attorneys C. H. Huston and Robert L. Carr, the latter of Mt. Vernon.—Mansfield Shield.

Marriage License—

John Frederick Forsythe, farmer, and Hattie Bell Van Nostrand, both of Miller township. Rev. W. A. Clemmer.

Deeds Filed—

Hervey S. Smith to W. H. Smith, 28 acres in Liberty, \$3,000.
Annie E. Snow to A. Selders, 4 acres in Union, \$700.
Frances Smith to Esther Smith, lot in city, \$450.

56 SCHOOLS

In Entry List For The Basket
Ball Tourney

Delaware, Feb. 25.—Thus far 56 high school basketball teams from all over the state have entered the interscholastic tournament given under the auspices of Ohio Wesleyan university each year. The tourney this year will be held early next month and at least 60 entrants are expected. This event was originated about 10 years ago by "Wes" Page, and since that time has been continued by his successors as athletic director of Ohio Wesleyan.

The entrants of the last two weeks are as follows: Southern Ohio—Delaware, Bellaire, Piqua, Cumberland, Springfield and Steele high of Dayton. Northern Ohio—Lima, Alliance, Marion, West Lafayette, Canton, Fremont, Huron, Warren, Wellington, Chicago Junction, Ashtabula Harbor, Mt. Vernon and Bloomville.

SHOOTSELF ON STREET

Tiffin Youth Jests With Companion,
Then Fires Bullet

Tiffin, Feb. 24.—Walter H. Snyder, 21, ended his life on the street here last night. He drew a revolver from his pocket and pulled the trigger. The bullet pierced his heart.

"What do you think of this?" he jokingly asked William Thom, Jr., his companion, when he drew the revolver.

The police are in a quandary as to whether he accidentally pulled the trigger or did it deliberately.

SOCIETY NOTES

Bell-Martin Wedding

Mr. Ralph D. Bell and Miss Indus N. Martin, both of near Utica, were married by Rev. J. A. Long, pastor of the Vine street Church of Christ, at four o'clock Thursday afternoon at his home. The young couple was attended by Mr. Glenn Ward of Mt. Vernon and Miss Gladys Bell, a sister of the groom. The ring ceremony was used. Mr. and Mrs. Bell will reside on a farm near Utica.

Masonic Dance Thursday Evening

The popularity of the series of dances which Mt. Zion lodge No. 9, F. & A. M., is giving for its members and their ladies was attested by the large crowd which attended the third affair at the Masonic temple Thursday night, despite the inclement weather and counter-attractions. Music was of a stirring kind as furnished by Parker's orchestra of Columbus. Punch was served during the evening. The last of the series of entertainments will be given some time next month.

At Thursday night's dance there were present from out of the city: Mr. and Mrs. Charles K. McGugin, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. McArthur, Mr. and Mrs. Frank L. Wolfe of Howard, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Hesson, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. William Fought, Misses Della Thomas, Marie Gilbert, Esther Stinemetz, Robert Hesson, Guy Bishop and Howard Palmer of Centerville, Mrs. Groff and daughter, Miss Helen, of Fredericktown, Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Doolittle and Mr. Sterrett of Gambier and J. S. Didway of Columbus.

DR. BEST IMPROVING

Dr. S. R. Best, who underwent an operation at Grant hospital, Columbus, about six weeks ago, was brought to the home of his brother, G. S. Best, here Tuesday afternoon. Mr. Best underwent a second operation last week for blood poisoning since which time there has been much improvement in his condition.—Centerburg Gazette.

Jesse Flack, who has been a patient at the Mt. Vernon hospital, returned home Friday.

GASOLINE

Extracting Plant To Be Built
At Homer By Ohio Fuel

(Utica Herald.)

The Ohio Fuel Supply company will install a gasoline extracting plant at Homer at an estimated cost of \$75,000. The engineer's office of the company, Columbus, is now working on the estimates and plans for the new plant.

An official of the company stated that the plant will be in operation in about four or five months, as it takes considerable time to install it. He said its method of extracting the gasoline from gas would be by absorption, and that very little machinery is employed in the operation.

The company has suffered considerable loss in the past due to the destroying agents in the gas. The agents eat through the pipes and are responsible for many mains bursting. The absorption plant will extract the destroying agents without affecting the heat unit value of the gas. Except for eliminating the destroying agents the new method will have no bearing toward crippling the heating units in the gas.

This method of extracting the agents, while it has been in operation in West Virginia for the past three years, yet is practically a new invention, especially in the Ohio fields.

The new plant will deliver its product to the Baltimore & Ohio railroad at Utica. The official stated that the estimates for the new plant would probably be completed within the next few weeks.

MANSFIELD

To Make The Trucks Work
On The Streets

(Mansfield News.)

It may be alright for a man's wife to go to the country, but men who find their way into police court and cannot pay their fines will remain in town.

Acting Mayor Lowrey sent shudders up the spines of those who love their hops not wisely but too well Thursday when he announced delinquent fine payers would be turned over to the street cleaning department.

The law under which men are sent to the country roads to work can be applied to the city streets, it is pointed out.

Judge McCrory said this morning he favored the plan. "Men we have had trouble with for months are missing from police court now because of their experiences on road work," he said. "The city might as well get some good out of them. They are of little good to themselves."

Acting Mayor Lowrey said he would notify the street department today that cell block frequenters were to be put to work.

Several years ago the plan was suggested but only half carried out. In other cities it has been in force for months. Results obtained are said to be beneficial.

It is pointed out that a dozen or more men find their way into police court on an average of once a week. They never pay their fines but remain in the cell block to be fed by the city until released.

Washington, Feb. 26.—Rural mail carriers in the northern and western states are carrying an extra burden in their trips over the snow-clad country. Aside from the letters and packages destined to farm houses, there is a sack of grain on each of these mail sleighs, and each precious kernel is destined for game birds who have been suffering for want of food, on account of the heavy snows. State organizations are co-operating with the government officials, and all that was needed to bring relief was the sanction of the postoffice department. This was promptly given, and the carriers who travel the snow routes are carrying out the distribution of food to the birds.

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Reserve Officer's Training Corps Likely In Every College and University In Ohio Under Provisions of Senate Committee's Military Bill—Important Preparedness Measures About to Appear in Senate.

Washington, Feb. 26.—An important preparedness measure has been introduced by Senator Pomerene of Ohio.

The bill is to supply the need of an institution that will relieve the overflow from Annapolis Naval academy and West Point Military academy, and act as a feeder for those two academies. He proposes that there shall be established somewhere on the shores of the Great Lakes a school for the preliminary training of cadets and midshipmen, that they can attend for one year after receiving their appointment. He is advised that the first year of training at Annapolis and West Point is practically identical.

The bill provides that after the boys have completed a one year course at this new institution they shall proceed respectively to the Annapolis and West Point academies as third-class men. The secretaries of war and navy jointly are constituted a board to select a site on the shores of the Great Lakes. The staff officers of the school shall be officers detailed from the army, navy and marine corps.

A reserve officers' training corps may be established in every college and university in Ohio requiring four years of study for a collegiate degree under the provisions of the army bill which the senate military committee will shortly recommend for passage by congress. The aim is to provide a sufficient reserve of officers for the military forces of the United States. The committee has decided to incorporate in its measure all of the provisions of the bill introduced by Senator Pomerene of Ohio and endorsed by the general staff of the regular army.

Ohio State university, Otterbein college at Westerville, Ohio Wesleyan at Delaware, Ohio university at Athens and twenty or more other educational institutions in Ohio will be eligible for establishment of a reserve training corps. In each case the college authorities must agree to establish and maintain a two years' elective or compulsory course of military training for its male students.

CANDIDATES FILE DECLARATIONS

Wilson, Burton and Herrick
Formally Weigh In.

Columbus, Feb. 26.—Formal declaration of his candidacy for the United States senatorship was made by Colonel Myron T. Herrick to Secretary of State Hildebrand. A petition, signed by five electors, was filed by I. L. Hughes, a member of Colonel Herrick's office force. The senatorial nomination is to be decided at primaries in August.

Candidates for delegates and alternates-at-large to the Democratic and Republican national conventions also filed declarations. An unexpected entry in the list of candidates for delegate-at-large to the Democratic national convention was that of Frank S. Monnett, Columbus, who declared for former Governor James E. Campbell for first choice and Speaker Champ Clark for second choice for president.

Democrats who filed declarations for alternates-at-large are: Former Secretary of State C. H. Graves, Toledo; David L. Rockwell, Ravenna, former candidate for lieutenant governor; A. R. McCulloch, Cambridge, and John H. Newman, Columbus, former state librarian.

President Wilson's candidacy for the presidency was filed by E. H. Moore, Youngstown. His authorized representative, and Theodore E. Burton by Granville W. Mooney, his manager.

J. G. Obermyer of Columbus, Republican, former clerk of the supreme court, filed his declaration as candidate for judge of the supreme court. The terms of Supreme Court Judges Johnson and Donahue expire this year. Both are Democrats and will be candidates to succeed themselves.

Fletcher Nomination Confirmed.
Washington, Feb. 26.—The senate confirmed the nomination of Henry P. Fletcher as ambassador to Mexico. The action followed a spirited discussion in which Senators Smith and Borah attacked the administration's general Mexican policy and its recognition of Carranza. The vote was 49 to 16.

LENTEN

Season To Commence On
Wednesday, March 8

With the intensity of Easter Sunday this year, the season of Lent also falls upon a later period than usual. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 8, and continues until Easter, which this year falls upon April 23. The principal days during the Lenten season are Passion Sunday, April 9, Palm Sunday, April 16, Holy Thursday, April 20, Good Friday, April 21, and Easter.

All days during Lent with the exception of Sundays are known in the Catholic church as fast days of obligation and feasting is not allowed. By dispensation meat is allowed on Mondays, Tuesdays and Saturdays in the week of Lent and Holy week.

The use of fish and meat at the same meal is forbidden by the Catholic church even on Sundays during Lent, and all Catholics are required to fast during the season unless otherwise provided. The sick, those who are of weak constitution and the heavy laborer are exempt from fasting during the season and the use of meat at their meals is not restricted.

EARLY CARE

Should Be Given To Pruning
of Ornamental Trees

Washington, D. C., Feb. 26.—A little early care was given to the pruning of ornamental trees and shrubs during the early part of March will do much to control their growing and flowering habits, and enable the home owner to have well-formed plants and well-trained hedges or boundary plantings. The pruning of ornamental trees and shrubs is, in fact, one of the first duties that may profitably be performed in the home garden. The amateur, however, should not make a ruthless assault with shears or pruning knife upon everything in his yard. Flowering trees and shrubs that bloom in the spring or early summer should not receive radical pruning at this time, according to the garden specialists of the United States department of agriculture. Of course, if on these plants there are dead or weak branches, these should be taken out, and any crossing limbs that are rubbing and seriously interfering with the growth of the bush should be removed. The tips of the limbs, however, should not be cut off nor should any young wood that does not interfere with the growth of the bush be removed. It must be borne in mind that the blossom buds for this year's flowering were formed last year, and every root removed takes off that much of the prospective blossoms.

Trees and shrubs that bear their flowers in midsummer and which were not pruned in the fall may be pruned at this time. Plants of this sort are the Rose of Sharon and the shrubby hydrangea. Where the largest possible mass effect is desired, these plants should be pruned but little. If the aim is to secure the largest possible trusses or blossom heads, last year's growth should be pruned back to two or three eyes to a stem. Such severe pruning, however, is not conducive to the most attractive development of shrubs.

Climbing roses should not be pruned at this time except for the removal of surplus or interfering branches. Every bit of wood removed now reduces the amount of bloom the plant will bear during the coming season. Roses used in border planting should be treated in exactly the same way as other shrubs, except that many of these species will be improved by having all their old wood cut away once in every five or six years. This would mean cutting all the old canes off within three or four inches of the ground and forcing the bush to throw up entirely new wood.

Roses used for cut flowers, like the hybrid perpetuals, the hybrid teas, and teas, should be severely pruned. The hybrid perpetuals may be cut as soon as freezing weather is past. Pruning of the hybrid teas and teas, however, should be left until the young growth has started. In both cases the plant should be cut to within six inches or one foot of the ground. Four or six eyes to a stem is about the proper amount of wood to leave.

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ONE POUNDER COULD SINK SUBMARINE

Admiral Winslow on Vulnerability
of Undersea Craft.

Washington, Feb. 26.—Attempts made by Representative Britten at a hearing of the house naval committee to induce Admiral Cameron Winslow to express an opinion concerning the arming of merchantmen ended in failure. Admiral Winslow replied to all the questions put to him on this point by saying that although he had an opinion on the subject he was not an international law expert.

Albert W. Grant had told the committee that German submarines had done their most effective work within one mile of the ships they attacked, and even fired their torpedoes at a distance of only 1,000 yards.

"I heard of an instance where the firing was done at a distance of 200 yards," said Admiral Winslow. "Under these conditions it would not require a large gun to sink a submarine, would it?" asked Representative Britten. "It would not," said the admiral.

"Then any small gun, such as a rapid-fire gun or a one pounder would do?" "Yes."

"Then a one pounder or a rapid-fire gun would destroy a submarine as quickly and as effectively as if the same gun were mounted on a battleship, assuming the gun to be mounted on a merchant ship?" "A one pounder projectile would seriously injure a submarine and might destroy it," said the admiral. "It would be certain to penetrate it."

"When a merchant ship is armed with a gun of such a size, is it not a warship?" "I am not an international law expert, and I don't think it proper for me to answer that question."

The necessity for sea training as a qualification of naval officers was especially emphasized by Admiral Winslow in a further discussion of the defects of the naval system. He proposed that boys be taken at Annapolis at fourteen years of age, and after two years of academic study sent to sea for two or three years, coming back to complete their studies ashore.

FRENCH LINER ESPAGNE

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No. 11..... 11:52 a. m.
No. 3..... 2:41 p. m.
No. 15..... 9:53 p. m.

East Bound

No. 16..... 6:48 a. m.
No. 4..... 11:28 a. m.
No. 10..... 5:47 p. m.
No. 2..... 7:37 p. m.
No. 17 and No. 10 daily except Sunday.

PENNSYLVANIA LINES

Akron Div.

South Bound

No. 506..... 12:50 a. m.
No. 504..... 9:10 a. m.
No. 502..... 12:08 p. m.
No. 528..... 5:02 p. m.

North Bound

No. 503..... 2:01 p. m.
No. 505..... 6:27 p. m.
No. 529..... 8:45 a. m.
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